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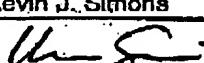
Application Number	09/519,546
Filing Date	03/06/2000
First Named Inventor	Ekkel
Group Art Unit	2116
Examiner Name	Chang, Eric
Attorney Docket Number	US 000014

This is an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application (which is made prior to payment of issue fee; abandonment; notice of appeal to the CAFC; or commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. 145 or 146.)

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114a. Previously submittedi. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____

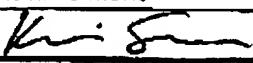
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____iii. Other _____b. Enclosedi. Amendment/Replyii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. Other _____ (may not be a brief)**2. Miscellaneous**a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (May not exceed 3 months; Fee required per 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(e))b. Other _____**3. Fees**a. The Commissioner For Patents is hereby authorized to charge all required fees except the issue fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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